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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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29/03/2013: Anton, RT9T, is currently active from the island of Cyprus (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA 0051) as 5B4ALB until 3 April 2013. QRV on all bands and modes. QSL via RT9T, direct only. [NG3K]

29/03/2013: Kei KG2A (also JJ1RJR / T88RJ) will be QRV as KG2A/VP9 from Hamilton Parish, island of Bermuda (NA-005) between 29 March and 1 April, including an entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest. Outside the contest Kei will try to be active on the HF bands, mainly CW. QSL via KG2A, direct (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

29/03/2013: Operators Masa W6LJ, Ryuji (Rio) NY8A, Aki W3JH, Masaru AI2K and Masa AH6KY will be active as NH2KY on all HF bands and modes from Barrigada, Guam (OC-026, USi GU003S, WFF KFF-110, WLOTA 0064) between 29 March and 2 April 2013. This will include a Multi-2 entry from CQ zone 27 in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest using the callsign KH2KY. QSL KH2KY via JA1MFR. QSL NH2KY via JR3QFB, direct or JARL bureau. [NG3K]

30/03/2013: Adrian, MW1LCR, will be using the special callsign GW100C from his QTH in Llangolen (WW Loc. IO82KW, SJ24WRE), Wales (EU-005, WLOTA 0453), on 30-31 March 2013 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the RSGB. He will also participate in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry during the same time frame. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS system (www.m0oxo.com/oqrs/). [GR2HQ]

30/03/2013: Horacio, LU4DXU, plans activity from Martin Garcia Island (SA-055) as LU1DMG between 30 March and 2 April 2013. QRV using Yaesu FT-857, TL-922 amp, a 3 Ele Yagi for 10-15-20m and 40/80m Slopers. QSL via LU4DXU. [DX World]

30/03/2013: Chris, GM3WOJ/ZL1CT and Keith, GM4YXI will be active as VK9CZ from the Cocos-Keeling Islands (OC-003) between 30th March and 13th April 2013. QRV on the HF bands using SSB and CW, with some RTTY. It is hoped to have a real-time logging system and daily LoTW uploads if possible. Further information and updates at: www.vk9cz.com/ [DX World]

30/03/2013: Steve, 9M6DXX, will be operating holiday style as XW8XZ from near Vientiane, Laos, between 30 March and 3 April 2013. Activity will be SSB only, using 100 watts (the maximum power permitted by the licence) to a Butternut HF6V-X antenna with 12/17m kit. QSL via M0URX, by OQRS (see www.m0urx.com/oqrs), direct, or via the bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as quickly as possible after the operation. [DX World]

01/04/2013: Alan, G0RCI will be in Singapore (AS-019) and hopefully Malaysia on 1-12 April 2013. He plans to operate as 9V1/G0RCI and 9M2/G0RCI "as much as the XYL allows". QSL via home call (direct). [425 DX News]

01/04/2013: Mauri, AG1LE, will be actve as E51DXX from Titikaveka, Rarotonga Island (OC-013, WW Loc. BG08CR), South Cook Islands, between 1st and 13th April 2013. He will be QRV holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via home call (see QRZ.com). [DX World]

01/04/2013: Dirk, DL5DCL, will be active again from Ameland Island (EU-038, WLOTA 1059) as PA/DL5DCL beginning 1 April 2013. He will be on the air at irregular times, holiday style, for approximately five days on several HF bands, CW only. Online log search and OQRS will be available during and after this trip, together with a new high quality QSL card style. QSL via DL5DCL bureau or direct and via OQRS. Website: www.dl5dcl.de/ [rsgbiota.org]

02/04/2013: Dindo, DV1UD, will visit Bongao Island (OC-174), Tawi-Tawi Island (OC-174) and Taganak Island (OC-225). This is to complete some survey and research as part of his work requirements. Tentative departure from Manila is 02 April, and he expects to be in Bongao, Tawi Tawi by 04 or 05 April via Zamboanga City. Hopefully this will allow him stay on each island for 2-3 days. He will grab this opportunity to activate these rare IOTA's between his work commitments. Dindo will be QRV as DX8DX on the HF bands with Icom IC-7000, AH-4 Tuner and 100 Watts into a loop antenna. QSL via M0OXO OQRS (www.m0oxo.com/oqrs). Please DO NOT send cards via the bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LOTW as soon as practicable after the operation. Further info and updates at: www.m0oxo.com/dx8dx.html [DX World]

03/04/2013: Three JA operators will be active from the KP2M Radio Reef rental shack on the island of St. Croix (NA-106, USi VI002S, WLOTA 2477, WW Loc. FK77PS) from 3-9 April 2013. Look for the following: Yoshi, K1HP/KP2 (QSL via JE2EHP), Taka, KP2/JF1BVG (QSL via JF1BVG) and Toshi, WH7P/KP2 via (QSL via JP1IOF). Activity will be on all bands and modes. Both bureau and direct cards are accepted via their JA home calls. LoTW and OQRS will also be available. [OPDX Bulletin]

03/04/2013: Haru, JA1XGI, plans to be active from Palikir, Pohnpei Island (OC-010, WW Loc. QJ96CX), F.S.M., as V63XG between 3-11 April 2013. QRV on 160-6 metre CW, SSB, RTTY and JT65 using IC-7000, DXV 500L amp 300W to 500W, 2 el Yagi (18, 24 MHz) and Fishing Rod 1/4 Whip(7, 10, 14, 18, 21 MHz). Look for him on 6 metres - 50.110 MHz CW, 50.150 MHz USB, 50.090 MHz RTTY and MHz 50.330 JT65. QSL via his home call, direct or by the JARL bureau. Website: island.geocities.jp/v63xg/index.htm [DX World]

04/04/2013: A team of 15 German operators will be active as 5W0M from Le Lagoto Beach Resort Hotel, located in the northern part of the island of Savai'i (OC-097, WLOTA 4026, WW Loc. AH36TN), Samoa, from 4-18 April 2013. Activity will be on 80-6 metre (including 60m) CW, SSB and RTTY plus 2 metre EME. They plan to have four stations active simultaneously on the air with solid state amplifiers and various antennas. Operators include Heidi DK1MA, Sid DM2AYO Rolf DL7VEE, Franz DL9GFB, Klaus DK1AX, Joe DF1AL, Heye DJ9RR, Dietmar DL2HWA, Uwe DJ9HX, Martin DL3KMS, Rudolf DK3CG, Georg DL4SVA, Norbert DL2RNS, Ernst DK7AN and Joachim DL9MS. QSL via DL4SVA, direct or by the bureau. QSL EME QSOs via DL9MS. Further information and OQRS can be found at: 5w0m.hkmann.de/ [DX World]

04/04/2013: Nobby, G0VJG, will be active as S79VJG from the Chalets Anse Forbans, island of Mahe (WLOTA 3286, WW Loc. LI75SF), Seychelle inner islands (AF-024) between 4-16 April 2013. He will be using SSB only on the HF bands with FT897, 400W amplifier and verticals on the beach. Nobby can only operate under 7.100 MHz, so he will operate split and listen up for North America around 7.258 MHz. QSL only via G4DFI, direct only. [NG3K]

04/04/2013: Paul, G4BKI (VP9KF), will be on the island of Corsica (EU-014 DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390) from 4-18 April 2013. He will be active on the HF bands as much as as possible (travelling point to point, not single stopovers). QSL W4/VP9KF direct only (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

05/04/2013: Rob, N7QT, will be heading back to the island of Saint Lucia (NA-108, WLOTA 1336) on a suitcase mini-DXpedition. We will be operating from 5-16 April 2013 using the new CrankIR portable antenna system from SteppIR (www.stepper.com/). The operators will be Frans, J69DS and Rob, J6/N7QT. Their operational base will be a magnificent villa located in Babonneau, which overlooks Gros Isle and Cap Estate. Their goal is to demonstrate "ultralite" DXpeditions into magnificent "vista" locations. Operations will include field portable radio, battery only using backpack/lightweight antennas. They will be operating 80m-10m using CW, SSB, and RTTY or PSK, as well as field portable (battery only) either from St. Lucia beaches or scenic mountain tops. During field portable operations, they will sign their calls /p. QSL information: J6/N7QT - via LoTW, eQSL, bureau, or direct to his home (SASE required!). J69DS only accepts direct with SASE, NO bureau! [DX World]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

06/04/2013: The members of Nucleo de Radioamadores da Armada CS5NRA will be active from the Farol de Cacilhas (DCI ST-073, WCA CT-01356, DMHP ST-073, ARLHS POR-082H, WW Loc. IM58KQ), municipality of Almada, Portugal, on the 6th of April 2013. QRV on all HF bands and modes. QSL via the information at QRZ.com under CS5NRA. [WCA]

07/04/2013: For the 28th annual meeting of the French CW Society, the Union Francaise des Telegraphistes UFT, which will be held in Panazol, Region Limousin, Center France, the callsign TM28UFT, will be aired between 7-21 April 2013. HF bands and even more, for this CW only operation. QSL manager, Bernard F9IE. All the QSOs will be confirmed by the bureau. SWL QSL cards should go also via the French REF bureau. After the operation and before QSL'ing, each one will be able to check his QSO's on the UFT website (www.uft.net/). Those who however would have a direct card, should ask it not before 15th July, to Bernard, F9IE, (QRZ.Com address is correct). In such a case, don't forget SAE and 1 valid IRC or 2 greenstamps. [F5NQL]

13/04/2013: Takio, JH3QFL and Keizo, JH3AZC/W2AZ will be active from the South Park Hotel, Kolonia Town, island of Phonpei (OC-010, WW Loc. QJ96CX), Caroline Islands, FSM, between 29 April and 5 May 2013. Plans are to be QRV on 80m-6 metre SSB, CW, RTTY and JT65. QSL V6H via JH3QFL (QRZ.com). QSL V6S via JH3AZC (QRZ.com). [DX World]

29/04/2013: VBDXC team members Ezio IK2AHB, Diego IW2MZX, Alessandro IW5ELA, Andrea IZ2AJE and Fabio IZ2GMT will be active as IA5A from Isola del Giglio [Giglio Island] (EU-028, IIA GR-002, MIA MI-036, WLOTA 0564, JN52KI) between 29th April and 4th May 2013. Isola del Giglio is located in the region of Toscana (Tuscany) and province of Grosseto (GR). They plan to cover all the HF bands 80-10 metres, 160m if possible, plus 6 metres, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL maneger IK2AHB, via bureau or direct with $ (2USD for Europe and 3 USD outside Europe) NO IRC !! Online log will be available on ClubLog. Further info on their website at: www.vbdxc.altervista.org/ [IW2MZX]

30/04/2013: On Tuesday, 30 April 2013 Bobby MI0RYL/p will be activating Castor Bay Mound, Co. Armagh, Northern Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 1439), which is located on the south shore of Lough Neagh. CASHOTA Ref. TBC, WW Loc. TBC and WAB TBC .. stay tuned!. Bobby will be using HF SSB - 40, 20, 15, 10m (propogation dependent). QSL via home call, direct or bureau [CASHOTA UK]

03/05/2013: To commemorate the 35th anniversary of the world well-known ARC of Provins, F6KOP, and the inauguration of its new facilities, will be aired the special callsign TM35KOP, between 3-18th May 2013. All modes, including rare ones will be used from 160m to 10 GHz, from the locator JN18PN. Most activity on

week ends, on 8th and 9th May and on 18th May, date of the manifestation in Provins. QSL bureau goes via the French Bureau to F6KOP. Direct QSL go via F5NQL (address ok in QRZ.com) SAE= 1 valid IRC (preferred) or 2$. As you know, F6KOP organized some big dxpeditions in the past like 5V7C, TO7C, 5H1C, J5C, XT2C, PJ4C, TJ9PF, 5X8C, TK7C, IS0R, TS7C, TM7CC, TM7C, and more in the French IOTA's. [F5NQL]

05/05/2013: The Ballymena A.R.C. will be active at the annual Shanes Castle May Day Steam Rally, Shanes Castle Estate (CASHOTA GI-026, WCA GI-00032, WAB: J18, WW Loc. IO64UR), Antrim, Co. Antrim, Northern Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 1439). They will be QRV on the 5th and 6th of May 2013 using the callsign GN4KPT on various modes and bands. QSL via MI0RYL, bureau or direct. Further info can be found at: http://gi3fff.synthasite.com/ [CASHOTA UK]

18/05/2013: Ian, 2E0EDX/p, will be active on 18th May 2013 for the CASHOTA weekend from Mile Fortlet 21 (CASHOTA G-303, WAB NY04, WW Loc. IO84GI), Cumbria, England (EU-005, WLOTA 1841). QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [CASHOTA UK]

18/05/2013: During the annual CASHOTA weekend on 18th May 2013 look for Bobby, MI0RYL/p, to be active from O'Connors Castle (CASHOTA GI-029, WAB J47, WW Loc. IO64RM), Co. Armagh, Northern Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 1439). QRV on 40-10 metre SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [CASHOTA UK]

21/05/2013: Harald, DJ2II, will be active as homecall/p from Langeness island (EU-042, DID N-019, WLOTA 1245, WWFF DLFF-013) between 21-30 May 2013. He plans to be QRV on 80-10 metre SSB and CW. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. Website: www.dj2ii.de/ [rsgbiota.org]

25/05/2013: Bobby MI0RYL/p, will be active on 25th May 2013 for the last half of the CASHOTA weekend from Kinbane Castle (CASHOTA GI-012), Northern Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 1439). QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [CASHOTA UK]

31/05/2013: The Grey Point Fort (CASHOTA GI-060, WAB J47, WW Loc. IO74DP), Crawfordsburn, Co Down, Northern Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 1439), special event will be a 48hrs event starting at 1700hrs 31st May 2013 to 1700hrs 2nd June 2013. The event is not a contest; It is an opportunity for all radio amateurs to make point to point contact on 80-10m SSB and PSK with the three special event callsigns to commemorate GB0GPF / GN0URN / MN0GPF. A certificate will be awarded to all stations that make contact with all three special event station callsigns on any qualifying bands or modes of operation. If a station is unable to contact all three stations, individual QSL cards are available. Two classes of awards are available, one for licensed operators and one for short wave listeners. QSL GB0GPF, GN0URN and MN0GPF via MI0MOD QTHR. Please NO QSLs via the bureau! Further information can be found at: www.greypointfort.magix.net/public/event rules.htm [CASHOTA UK]

09/07/2013: John, W5JON, will once again be operating from their Calypso Bay, island of St. Kitts (NA-104, WW Loc. FK87PG), W.I. vacation home between 9th July and 10th August 2013. Active 160-6m (incl. 60m), SSB and RTTY/Digi. Also operation in the IARU and IOTA Contests (SSB), SOAB. Radio: Kenwood TS-590S, and SB200 Amplifier. Antennas: Dipoles, and S9, 31' Vertical; 6m - 3el Yagi. Also XYL, Cathy (W5HAM) will occasionally operate as V47HAM. All QSL's DIRECT to his home call: W5JON. Also LoTW. [NG3K]

22/08/2013: The SYLRA (Scandinavian Young Ladies Radio Amateurs) 10 year anniversary meeting will take place in Roskilde, Denmark, 22nd August till 25th August 2013. Special station OZ6SYL will be active during the meeting on all bands and modes. Further info at: oz.sylra.is/

01/10/2013: Gary, VE1RGB and Murray, WA4DAN are pleased to announce a DXpedition to Sable Island (NA-063, CIsA NS004, WLOTA 0758, WWFF CYFF-001) from 1-11 October 2013. Approvals are in hand from Parks Canada and the Canadian Coast Guard. They have chartered with Maritime Air Charter Ltd. to provide the Britten Norman Islander aircraft for landing on the beach. The call CY0P has been issued for the October DXpedition. The CY0P (Parks) call was chosen in recognition of the establishment of the 43rd National Park in Canada (Sable Island National Park Reserve, IUCN category II), established 17 October 2011. Activity is good for the World-Wide Flora Fauna (WWFF) program and the Canadian Flora Fauna Award (www.qsl.net/va3rj/). VE1RGB is a veteran of two previous CY0 DXpeditions and is a top CW contester. WA4DAN has coordinated two previous CY0 DXpeditions, including the October 2012 DXpedition that was cut short due to Hurricane Sandy. An all band 160-10 metre CW, SSB and RTTY operation is planned. More details to follow ... stay tuned!. [NG3K]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

29/03/2013: The special event station DM750PZL celebrates the 750th anniversary of the city of Penzlin until 31st December 2013. QSL via the bureau, see QRZ.com. See also: www.penzlin-historie.info [DXNL]

29/03/2013: The special event station DR13IGS (S-DOK IGS13) is working from the International Garden Show (IGS) in Hamburg until 31st December. QSL via DL9HCO bureau or eQSL. See also: www.igs-hamburg.de/ [DXNL]

29/03/2013: The special event station EO90LCR celebrates the 90th anniversary of the Chuguivs'kyi oblast until 1st June 2013. QSL via UT2LY. [DXNL]

29/03/2013: The Derby & District Amateur Radio Society will be operating G2DJ at Duffield Junction railway station during the gala at the Ecclesbourne Valley Railway over the 4 day Easter weekend, 29 March to 1 April 2013. Operation will be on the HF bands and on 2 metres. Further details are on the website at: www.dadars.org.uk/ [GB2RS]

29/03/2013: The special event station LZ134SOF celebrates the 134th anniversary of the capital Sofia, Bulgaria. QRV on all bands and modes until 31st December 2013. QSL via LZ1KZX, direct, LoTW and eQSL. [DXNL]

29/03/2013: 600 years ago Nijkerk was granted city rights. The special call PH600NYK will be activated until 15th Apr 2013. QSL via PA0RSM, direct and eQSL. [DXNL]

29/03/2013: The special event station R100MP remembers the 100th birthday of Marshal A. I. Pokryshkina until 18th April 2013. QSL via UA9OA. [DXNL]

29/03/2013: The city of Penza was founded 350 years ago. Local HAMs will activate several special event stations on all bands throughout the year 2013: R350FP (1st January - 31st March); R350FL (1st April - 30th June); R350FO (1st July - 30th September); and R350FV (1st October - 31st December). QSLs for all stations via the bureau. [DXNL]

29/03/2013: Special callsign ZB2MOLE will be active until 31st March 2013, by members of the Gibraltar Amateur Radio Society (GARS), for the detached mole Gibraltar. Operation will be on HF with a combination of voice and CW. The antennas will be several verticals. QSL via the bureau. [GB2RS]

30/03/2013: GB0BD will be operating from Boyndie Airfield, on 30 March to 1 April 2013, celebrating 75 years of Royal Air Force Amateur Radio Society. QRV on 80m-2m by members of the RAF Banff Strike Wing. They do not require you to send QSL cards. ALL stations contacted will be sent a QSL card via the RSGB

bureau unless they state no card required. Details can be found on QRZ.com. [GB2RS]

01/04/2013: The Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) is going to remember Saint Martyr Knyaz Boyan Bylgarski during the entire month of April with the special callsign LZ833MBB. This callsign is valid for the All Bulgarian Saints Award 2013 (www.balkanclub.org/awards.htm) and is also worth 10 points towards the St. Teodosii Tyrnovski Award. QSL via LZ1KCP, direct or bureau. [LZ1KCP]

01/04/2013: GB2RAF, the RAF Neatishead Radar Museum Permanent Special Event Station, with ATC Cadets, will be on the air celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the Royal Air Force Amateur Radio Society on 1 April from 0900 to 1700 UTC. Operations will be on 80m or 40m using SSB or CW. QSL via the bureau or direct to G4PSH with SAE + sufficient postage or eQSL. [GB2RS]

01/04/2013: ISWL Club Callsigns -
The ISWL Club Callsigns in use throughout the month of April 2013 are:
GX4BJC /A - Operated from Towcester, in Northamptonshire, by Phil - G4DMS. (ISWL Council Member) (WAB Square = SP65 - England, IOTA = EU-005 & WLOTA = LH-1841).
MX1SWL /A Operated from Lambourn, in West Berkshire, by John - G0GWK. (WAB Square = SU37 - England, IOTA = EU-005 & WLOTA = LH-1841).
ALL QSL's will be handled by Herbie G6XOU and NOT the individual Operator.
The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club.
All QSL Info is on www.iswl.org.uk/ or www.qrz.com/ or via www.eQSL.cc/ NO LOTW.
I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWL's - see www.iswl.org.uk/ for full details. eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for our awards.
Very best wishes to all,
de Pete Rayer, ISWL Life Vice President, Bournemouth, UK. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

01/04/2013: On the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the International Police Association Radio Club (IPA) Verbindungsstelle Bremen, special event callsign DP5?PAHB (S-DOK IPA5?) will be activated on all bands and modes between 1st of April and 31 December 2013. A special diploma will also be available for working this special event and other IPA stations. QSL via DJ2II, bureau or direct. Further info about this event and special award can be found at: www.mydarc.de/dl0ipa/DP50IPAHB.htm (German language). [DJ2II]

01/04/2013: Fred PA0FAW will be running PA150BA from 1 to 28 April 2013 to celebrate 150 years of Bronbeek, a military old peoples home and a Museum, concentrating on the Dutch East Indies. QRV on the HF bands, mainly CW, some Digital and SSB from De Hoge Veluwe (WWFF PAFF-005). Fred is a member of the ISWL and Euro PSK club. QSL via bureau (PA0FAW), eQSL and direct, but no LoTW. SWL reports are welcome direct, no need for return postage. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

01/04/2013: Huseyin, TA1TA, will activate the special event station TC168POL from 1-10 April 2013 to celebrate the 168th anniversary of Turkish National Police. QSL via TA1TA. [DXNL]

01/04/2013: The TC Special Wireless Activity Team will be active as TC47A from 1-15 April 2013 in Memoriam of the 47th Giresun Volunteer Regiment. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Website: www.tcswat.org/ [TCSWAT]

02/04/2013: John, M0JFE, along with other members of the Fleetwood Radio Enthusiast Group will be active as GB0FRG during CASHOTA monuments month (1-28 April) from the following monuments: 2nd April from the Mount Pavilion and Tour of the Clock Workings (LR SD333481, WAB SD34, WW Loc. IO83LW); 9th April from the I.O.M Ferry Berth [Location where the Anchors of The Titanic where

transferred from Train to Ship to be shipped to Belfast] (LR SD340483, WAB SD34, WW Loc. IO83LW); 16th April from the War memorial in Memorial park Fleetwood (LR SD328474, WAB SD34, WW Loc. IO83LW); 23rd April from the Jubilee Towers Quernmore just outside of Lancaster (LR SD542573, WAB SD55, WW Loc. IO84PA). They plan to operate on 80m-10m propergation dependant and also 2m and 70cm. If people either work or email in a log of ALL 4 activations we will email out a certificate our club email is gb0frg[at]hotmail.com and the club website is: www.fleetwoodradiogroup.moonfruit.com/# [M0JFE]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

29/03-02/04 NH2KY: Guam Island WLOTA:0064 QSL JR3QFB (d/B)
30/03-31/03 8P2K: Barbados Island WLOTA:0999 QSL KU9C (d)
30/03-31/03 AH0BT: Saipan Island WLOTA:1333 QSL 7L1FPU (d/B)
30/03-31/03 DZ1B: Luzon Island WLOTA:0081 QSL LoTW / DU1BP (d)
30/03-31/03 EI1A: Ireland (Eire) WLOTA:2484 QSL ON4EI (B)
30/03-31/03 FR4NT: La Reunion Island WLOTA 1812 QSL Direct
30/03 GB4ZOO: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL Buro
30/03-31/03 GJ2A: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL M5RIC (d/B)
30/03-31/03 GW100C: Wales - Main Island WLOTA:0453 QSL M0OXO (OQRS)
30/03-31/03 HQ9R: Isla de Roatan WLOTA:1671 QSL K5WW (d)
30/03-31/03 KH2KY: Guam Island WLOTA:0064 QSL JA1MFR (d)
30/03-31/03 T48K: Cuba Island WLOTA:0032 QSL F5FYO (d)
30/03-31/03 WP2Z: St. Croix Island WLOTA:2477 QSL KU9C (d/B)
30/03-31/03 YE1K: Java WLOTA:1660 QSL YE1ZAT (d)
30/03-31/03 ZL3X: New Zealand (South Island) WLOTA:0342 QSL ZL3PAH (d)
31/03-01/04 GB0BD: Scotland (main island) WLOTA:1234 QSL MM0XDB (d/B)
01/04-06/04 PA/DL5DCL: Ameland Island WLOTA:1059 QSL H/c (d/B/OQRS)
03/04-09/04 K1HP/KP2: St. Croix Island WLOTA:2477 QSL JE2EHP (d/B)
03/04-09/04 KP2/JF1BVG: St. Croix Island WLOTA:2477 QSL JF1BVG (d/B)
03/04-09/04 WH7P/KP2: St. Croix Island WLOTA:2477 QSL JP1IOF (d/B)
04/04-18/04 5W0M: Savaii Island WLOTA:4026 QSL DL4SVA (d/B)
04/04-17/04 S79VJG: Mahe Island WLOTA:3286 QSL G0VJG (d)
04/04-18/04 TK/G4BKI: Corsica Island WLOTA:1390 QSL W4/VP9KF (d)
05/04-16/04 J6/N7QT: Sta. Lucia Island WLOTA:1336 QSL H/c (d/B)
05/04-16/04 J6/N7QT/P: Sta. Lucia Island WLOTA:1336 QSL H/c (d/B)
05/04-16/04 J69DS: Sta. Lucia Island WLOTA:1336 QSL Direct
05/04-16/04 J69DS/P: Sta. Lucia Island WLOTA:1336 QSL H/c (d)

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6 METRES & UP -

30/03 GB4ZOO: Paignton Zoo S.E.S. Grid:IO80FK 2m FM QSL Buro
31/03 Easter Contest Phone/CW/SO/MO 144 MHz-76 GHz 0800z-1400z
31/03 Children's Easter Contest Phone/CW/SO/MO 144 MHz-76 GHz 1400z-1500z
31/03-01/04 GB0BD: RAFARS 75th Anniversary 6m-2m activity QSL MM0XDB (d/B)
01/04 IRTS 2 Metre Counties Contest SSB/FM 1400-1600 local time
01/04 Spring VHF/UHF Sprints 144MHz SO/Fixed/Rover 1900-2300 Your Local Time
02/04 LY 144MHz Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 1700z-2059z
02/04 NRAU 144MHz Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1700z-2100z
02/04 RSGB 144MHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 1900z-2130z
03/04 MOON Contest 144MHz CW/Digital/FM/SSB 1800z-2000z
03/04-11/04 V63XG: Pohnpei OC-010 Grid:QJ96 6m all mode QSL JA1XGI (d/B)
04/04-18/04 5W0M: Samoa OC-097 Grid:AH36TN 6m all mode QSL DL4SVA (d/B)
04/04-18/04 5W0M: Samoa OC-097 Grid:AH36TN 2m EME QSL DL9MS (d/B)

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_mar.html

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at:
http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated 28 March 2013)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/
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QSL INFO -

QSLs via Bureau: 3B8MM, 3B8/F6HMJ, 3B8/SP2FUD, 3B9/OE4AAC, 5H3EE, 5W1SA, 6V7T, 7T50I, 8Q7UY, 9L0W, 9M0L, 9Q6AL, AC2AI/KH2, AH0S/KH2, C31KC, C50C, D44TBE, E51EWP, E51NOU, FJ/VE3EY, FY/F6CKD, HF1918RO, ISO/DK7ZB, J37LR, J79ZG, JD1BMH, PJ2/DF8ZH, PJ2/DL4JS, PJ2/PA0VDV, PJ4J, TT8PK, V21ZG, VP2MXO, WH2DX, ZD7XF, ZD8W, ZF1A and ZF2GQ.

QSLs via Direct: 5H1Z/3 [AF-075] (F6AML), 5T0SP (SP6FXY/OQRS), 9M2AX (QRZ.com), AD0AX/VY0 [Eureka base] (H/c), LU6W [SA-096] (VE3LYC), RI0K/P [AS-092] (RW3RN), RW0BG/9 [AS-109, AS-083] (H/c), V25A (KG2A) and ZL9HR (EB7DX).

QSLs via LoTW: 3XA8DX, S79QY, T2GM, XR0YG and XT2TT.
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LINKS -
CIsA (Canadian Islands Award Program) at: www.qsl.net/ve3tpz/cisa/
IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
USi (U.S. Islands Award Program) at: www.usislands.org/
VEFF - Canada Flora & Fauna at: www.qsl.net/va3rj/
VEFF Forum at: groups.yahoo.com/group/VEFF/
WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wcagroup.org/ENG/wcag.html
WWFF (World-Wide Flora & Fauna) at: www.wwff.co/
WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air at: www.wlota.com/
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BITS & PIECES -

ANNUAL CASHOTA WEEKENDS 2013: 18-19th and 25-26th of May.
Full info, rules and participants can be found at:
www.cashota.co.uk/annual-cashota-weekend

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE!

3B7C - THE BOOK -
IN THE MIDDLE OF APRIL, Pete - SM5GMZ - releases another photo book. This time it?s about the DX-pedition to Saint Brandon in 2007, where Pete was one of the 20 operators who together managed to work 137, 500 QSOs during an absolute sunspot minimum.
The book consists of a large number of images, all in full color. In texts, Pete describes how it is to be on an uninhabited atoll in the middle of the southern Indian Ocean, where nothing but amateur radio and satellite phones work. He also tries to explain the joy of endless multi-layer pile-ups and describes the enormous planning that comes with a DX-pedition of this magnitude.
The book is photographed in the "documentary tradition", as Pete normally works as a professional photojournalist. This means that many of the pictures show the people involved in a somewhat different angle than many of you are used to from ham radio magazines.
Pete and the publisher, Publicera Publishing Ltd, have decided to donate 10% of the sales of this photo book to ARRL?s youth activities and another

10% of the proceeds to Five Star Dxers Association (FSDXA), which since 1998 has been the moving force behind a number of extremely successful DX-peditions. Finally, Pete and the publisher will also donate 10% of the sales to the German High Speed Club, as one of the youngest operators from the 3B7C adventure, Jens - DL7AKC, became a Silent Key in 2011. Jens was an excellent representative for our fascinating hobby and an outstanding CW-operator.
TECHNICAL FACTS:
Standard Landscape format, 10 x 8 inch (25 x 20 cm)
Approx 90 pages | Large number of colour pictures
Printed in the US on Premium Paper No. 100 (148 GSM) | Matte finish
Hardcover with laminated 4-color Dust Jacket
Library binding and 8 pt. black linen covers made of a hard-wearing cotton blend that has been coated with water-based acrylic for extra resiliency.
Book design by Johan Stiernspetz
Proof reading by Sheryl & Arnold Shatz (N6HC)

More info at: www.3b7cbook.com

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//through Pete SM5GMZ

ITALY - NEW PREFIX -
All of the possible callsigns in the IZ-prefixed series (IZ#AAA-IZ#ZZZ) have been issued; newly licensed amateur radio operators in Italy will get callsigns with the IU prefix. [425 DX News]

KH8 - AMERICAN SAMOA -
Aki, ZL1GO (JE4EKO) & Jacky, ZL3CW (F2CW/WE3B) have booked / confirmed their trip to American Samoa, KH8. Operation will be from the Turtle & Shark Lodge, Village of Vaitogi, on the southeast coast of Tutuila Island (OC-045, USi AS007S, WLOTA 4385, WW Loc. AH45PP) between 12 and 26 November 2013 (including CQ WW DX CW Contest). They will join Bill, N6MW who will be there 11th to 21st. More details to follow.... [DX World]

RAFARS 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS -
List of special event stations on the air 1 April 2013:
GB0RAF - RAF Waddington ARC Lincoln LN1 2BG - Contact Robert G3VCA
G3RAF - RAFC Cranwell Original Radio School Location NG34 8HB - Contact Roger G3ZDW
G8RAF - RAF Locking Nr BS24 8DB - Contact Kevin G6ZRL
G8FC - RAF Cosford WV7 3EX - Contact Mike G3VAO
GB0WY - RAF Wyton PE28 2EA (ATC) - Contact David M0ZZT
GB1BA - RAF Barkston Heath NG32 2DQ (ATC) - Contact David M0ZZT
GB0HN - RAF Halton HP22 5PG (ATC) - Contact Malcolm G7VRT
G3ELV - RAF Henlow SG16 6DN - Contact Kevin G0PWR
G6RAF - RAF North Luffenham LE15 - Contact Tony G0WFV
GB0CW - RAF Cranwell HQAC Radio Room NG34 8HB - Contact David M0ZZT
GB0BN - MOD Boscombe Down SP4 0JF - Contact N/K
GB4STB - RAF Stanbridge - Contact Mark M0HBQ
M6PAP - RAF Tangmere PO20 2ES - Contact Peter M6PAP
GB1PD - RAF Pembroke Dock SA72 6WT (ATC) - Contact Dennis GW4RVA
GB2ATC - RAF Grangemouth FK3 (ATC) - Contact Robert MM0RDT
N/K - RAF Coalville 80 Wing (ATC) - Contact M6SWS
M3WRL - RAF Cranwell (Data Only) - Contact Chris M3WRL

W2R - USA 0001-0400z 7.026CW 7.145SSB; 1030-1800z 14.055CW 14,180SSB -
Contact Mike KE2EH
Note: Contact names are the persons who organised the SES.
Full information at: www.rafars.org/ [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

ST - SUDAN -
Mario, CT1FTR is now QRV as ST2FT from Khartoum, Sudan until June 2013. QRV on HF. QSL via CT1FTR. [DX World]

T33A - BANABA ISLAND -
Jay, W2IJ, reports that the activation of Banaba Island (OC-018) has been rescheduled for November 2013. They have booked a larger boat (the passage there quite short), the license has been approved by the government, they have obtained landing permission and Elecraft is supplying six stations (radios/amps). They are looking for 2-3 operators to join them on the trip. For Statesides ops interested, we will return before the Thanksgiving holiday. For details, email them at t33-ops[at]t33a.com . Website: www.t33a.com/ [under construction].
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** CQWW WPX SSB CONTEST **
The following stations have announced their participation in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (30-31 March, 2013):

3G1B Chile M/? QSL XQ1KZ (d/LoTW)
3G3W Chile M/? QSL XQ4CW (d/LoTW)
3V8BB Tunisia SOABHP QSL LX1NO (d)
3V8SS Tunisia SOSB-15m-LP QSL LotW
4K6FO Azerbaijan SOSBLP QSL Direct/LoTW
8P2K Barbados SOSB-10m QSL KU9C (d)
9A33P Croatia M/? QSL 9A2NA (d/LoTW)
9A7A Croatia M/S QSL LoTW
A3EAQ Kingdom of Tonga SOLP QSL SP5EAQ (d/B)
A71AM Qatar M/2 QSL Direct/Buro
AH0BT Mariana Islands M/? QSL 7L1FPU (d)
CS8/PD9DX Azores SOABLP QSL H/c (d/B - No IRCs)
DU1/R6AF Philippines SOAB QSL H/c (d)
DZ1B Philippines M/2 QSL DU1BP (d)
E7DX Bosnia & Herzogovina M/? QSL E77E (d/B)
ED1R Spain M/S QSL EC1KR (d)
ED9Z Ceuta & Melilla M/S QSL EA9LZ (d/LoTW)
EE1W Spain M/M QSL EA1AZ (d)
EI1A Ireland SOAB QSL ON4EI (B)
ES9C Estonia M/M QSL ES5RY (d/LoTW)
FM4KA Martinique SO QSL NI5DX (d/LoTW)
FR4NT Reunion SOLP QSL QRZ.com
GJ2A Jersey SOAB QSL M5RIC (d/B)
GW100C Wales SOAB QSL M0OXO's OQRS (www.m0oxo.com/oqrs/)
H27A Cyprus MOST QSL RW3RN (d/LoTW)
HA30S Hungary M/? QSL HA30S (d)
HB30OK Switzerland M/S QSL HB9OCR (d/LoTW)
HK1NA Colombia M/M QSL K6IPM (d/LoTW)
HQ2N Honduras SOSB-10m QSL EA5GL (d/LoTW)
HQ9R Honduras SOSB-10m-LP QSL K5WW (d)
IO5O Italy M/S QSL IK5RLP (d)
KH0/RA0FU Northern Mariana Islands SOAB QSL H/c (d/B)
KG2A/VP9 Bermuda SOAB QSL H/c (d)

KG9N/C6A Bahamas SO QSL H/c (d/B)
KH2KY Guam M/2-HP QSL JA1MFR (d)
KP2MM US Virgin Islands SOAB QSL N2TTA (d/LoTW)
LU1DMG Martin Garcia Island SO QSL LU4DXU (d)
LX7I Luxembourg SOAB QSL LX2A (d/B)
LY7A Lithuania M/M QSL LoTW
NQ4I U.S.A. M/M QSL LotW
P40Z Aruba SOAB QSL DF7ZS (d/B)
PJ4D Bonaire M/2 QSL LoTW / W1SRD (d)
R100AP Russia (Europe) M/S QSL UA9XL (d)
RG3K Russia (Europe) M/S QSL RG3K (d)
T48K Cuba M/S-HP QSL F5FYO (d)
T5TC Somalia SOABLP QSL TA1HZ (d/B)
T6MO Afghanistan SOSB-15m or 10m QSL K9GY (d)
TM6M France M/? QSL F4DXW (d/B)/LoTW
TO7BC Mayotte SOABLP QSL DL7BC (d/B)
VB2T Canada @ VE2TZT QC zone 5 SO QSL LoTW/eQSL
VC3A Canada SOAB QSL VE3JO (d)/LoTW
VC6A Canada @ VE6SV AB zone 4 QSL VE6SV (d/LoTW)
VC6X Canada @ VE6BF AB zone 4 QSL VE6BF (d/LoTW)
VK9CZ Cocos-Keeling M/? QSL www.vk9cz.com/
WP2Z US Virgin Islands M/S-HP QSL KU9C (d)
XP2I Greenland SOLP QSL LotW
XW8XZ Laos SOLP QSL M0URX's OQRS (www.m0urx.com/oqrs)
YB8BRI/P and/or YB8HZ/P Indonsesia M/? QSL H/c (d)
YE1K Indonesia M/M QSL YE1ZAT (d)
Z39A Macedonia SOSB20m QSL Z39A (d)
ZL3IO New Zealand SOABLP QSL Direct
ZL3X New Zealand M/2-HP QSL ZL3PAH (d)
ZU6KB South Africa SOLP QSL ZU6KB (d/LoTW)

(d) = Direct; (B) = Bureau; (d/B) = Direct or Bureau.

Be sure to check Bill's (NG3K) website for updated CQWW WPX SSB Contest information at: ng3k.com/Misc/wpxs2013.html ..... Good luck to all participants & have fun!
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73 and Good DX!
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